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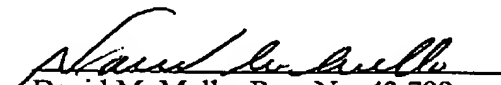
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing in connection with the above-identified patent application are the following:

- 1) Amendment A;
- 2) Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time; and
- 3) ~~Acknowledgment Postcard.~~

Respectfully submitted,

  
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